

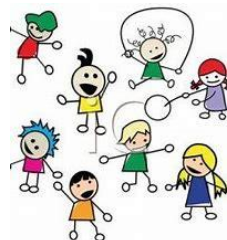
## General Information and Reminders

### PE

PE will usually take place on Mondays. Please ensure that your child has the correct PE uniform in school every day:

- blue shorts/tracksuit trousers
- a grey t shirt
- plimsolls or a change of trainers for outside

Please ensure all clothes and plimsolls are clearly labelled with your child's name.



PE in Year 2 is taught by Mr Spadaccini.



### Trips/Virtual Visits

Florence Nightingale Museum- Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> October 2023  
Little Angel Theatre- Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November 2023

### Homework

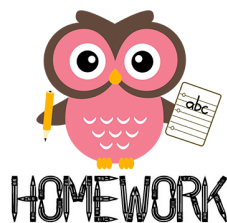
Homework will be sent home on Thursdays and is due back the following Tuesday.

Homework will cover a range of tasks and subjects over the term.

In addition, children will be expected to read regularly and learn weekly spellings and mental maths.

Spellings and mental maths will be sent home on Thursday and tested on Wednesday.

If you feel that your child has spent sufficient time on his/her homework but has not finished the work set that is fine. We all work at different levels, so ensure your child achieves what is appropriate for his/her ability.



### Class assembly

Our class assembly this term will take place on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> November. All parents, carers and family members are warmly invited!

### Reminders

- Please ensure all school clothes are named to prevent items getting lost.
- If your child is absent from school, please phone/email the school office on the first day of absence and keep us updated on any further days of absence.
- Your child has been given a Christ Church water bottle. Please make sure your child's water bottle is in school every day.
- Please do not send sweets or any food/non-food items into school to celebrate birthdays, we are unable to hand these out to the other children in the class. Thank you.



# Christ Church School, Hampstead

A village school in London inspiring *life in all its fullness*



# Welcome to Year 2

## Autumn Term 2023



# Year Two

Class Teacher: Miss Parsons

Support Staff: Miss Preece

Other adults working with Y2: Mr Spadaccini (PE), Mr Oliver (Music), Ms Miller (Computing) Ms Pugalia (French)

Welcome to Year 2 and to a new and exciting school year.

We hope you all had a wonderful summer. This letter outlines our class topics, trips and general information for this term. All the staff in Year 2 are very much looking forward to working with you and your child this year. If you have any worries or concerns, or would like further information about this term's curriculum, please do not hesitate to book an appointment to discuss these with me.

Kind regards, Miss Parsons

## Christ Church Arts Project (CAP)

Our Arts Project this term will focus on creating art work inspired by a range of different artists and promoting the UN's sustainable development goals. We are looking forward to sharing our work with parents and families in an art exhibition in November.



SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS

## English



English will be taught through the topics of Stories in familiar settings, Letters and postcards, and Poetry based on a particular poet. We will work on a range of spelling, punctuation, grammar and reading skills through learning related to these genres. We will also recap Phase 5 phonics and move towards spelling and grammar. We will take part in lots of speaking and listening and drama activities as we prepare for our Nativity play before Christmas.

## Maths



Topics:	Key Learning:
Number - Place Value	Ordering, comparing and partitioning numbers to 100
Number - Addition	Adding and subtracting numbers to 100, including missing number problems
Geometry - Shape	Recognising and describing the properties of 2D and 3D shapes, patterns, and lines of symmetry

## Computing



This term we will focus on algorithms and coding using RodoCodo. We will be planning, coding and debugging code. We will also publish postcards when we are learning about them in English lessons.

## RE



Lord's Prayer: We will think about why Jesus taught his disciples to pray the way he did, and will look more closely at the Lord's Prayer, thinking about the meaning of certain parts of it.

The Story of Our School Name: We will think about why our school is called Christ Church, and where the name comes from.

Where is the Light of Christmas? - Our Christmas unit will focus on the light of Christmas, and Jesus as the light of the world. Children will also write recounts and do artwork linked to Christmas and the Nativity story.

## History



Florence Nightingale - We will think about why Florence is a significant historical figure, think about how we can learn about her achievements, and consider how she changed nursing for the better.

Great Fire of London - We will look at different historical sources and what we can learn from them. We will also consider lasting changes that were made due to the fire.

## Geography



Are places different around the world? - We will name and locate the seven continents, five oceans and study human and physical characteristics of the United Kingdom. We will also compare the UK to a contrasting location (Australia) and think about similarities and differences between them.

## PSHE and Happiness Project



Our whole school Happiness Project this term will focus on ten themes, including goal setting, healthy body, try something new, resilience and belonging, which can help us all to develop positive strategies to support our own and others' mental health. Our PSHE weeks this term will focus on two of the other themes in the Happiness Project: building positive relationships with friends and family and celebrating diversity. Our Year 6 Anti-bullying champions will help to refresh our learning about how to be an upstander, too.

## PE



This term, the children will learn ball skills - working on control and handling, learning all basic passes and techniques, and taking part in small-sided games, working and focusing on team work.

## Music



This term the children will explore call and response and improvising using two or more notes. They will apply the skill they learn to the Ghanaian folk song Tue Tue, which they will perform through singing and playing a variety of percussion instruments.

## Art



We will do a range of pieces using different materials and techniques, including linked to our topics on Australia and the Nativity. We will be learning about colour and colour mixing. We will also be creating art work based on one of the sustainability goals for our Arts Project this term.

## Design Technology

Levers and sliders - we will design and create Christmas cards, looking at how levers and sliders can be used to create moving mechanisms. We will then evaluate our designs and finished products.

## French



Year 2 begin an introduction to French this term! In their weekly lesson, they will begin to learn and practise some basic vocabulary and key phrases through songs, stories and lots of speaking and listening activities.